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"You must have had them made to order."

"Nop. Came with the rest of the outfit."

"What makes them so expensive then?"

"They broke my engagement with Miss Gottroks, old Gottroks', the millionaire's, daughter."

"She a connoisseur in legs?"

"Not that I know of."

"What was the matter with them then?"

"Well, you know how stout she is-weighs close on to two hundred, I reckon."

"You needn't belittle her now."

"Well, maybe it is more. But anyhow, while we were engaged she liked to sit on my lap once in awhile."

"Of course."

"Her weight told."

"I should think likely."

"Yes, I used to stand it as long as I could, and then, when I positively could not stand the torture any longer, when every muscle and bone and nerve in them was shricking for relief, I'd make some excuse and rest up a bit. My favorite was wanting a drink of water, though I used to pretend I heard somebody coming as often as I dared to, but a man can't drink up all the water the water company, with mistaken liberality, furnishes in one evening, and along about going home time my sufferings were something awful; and she's sensitive about her size. You can't imagine, and I can't describe, what agony, both physical and mental, I endured for that girl. I often got up to go without the slightest control of my legs, and feeling as though from my hips down I was wading through a lake of liquid fire, and I was afraid all the time that some day they'd never get over it. I used to have them massaged every morning to help them recuperate. And then they went back on me. All those torments were suffered for nothing. Just on their account I hurt her feelings, after all, and she won't even speak to me any more. Confound 'em for legs, anyhow."

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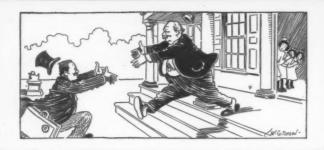


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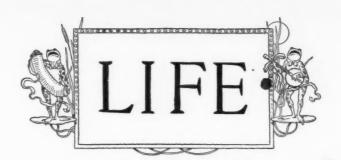
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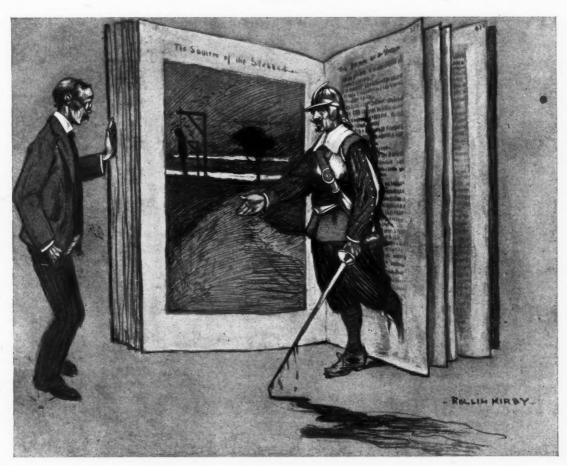


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has never done any work. It is a mark of vulgarity to work, and no gentleman would think of it."

The little girl sighed a sigh of re-

"Then papa is a gentleman?" she said, half questioningly.

And her mother replied:

"Surely, my dear. Does he not belong to a trade union?"



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T has long been appreciated in this department of creation that the principle on which weather is made is adjusted to

some other motive than a desire to meet the wants of customers. From time immemorial, in all parts of this earth, we humans have been steady customers of the weather-maker, taking all of his product that was offered. asking for many kinds not in stock. grumbling, repining, and finally making the best of what was furnished. We have been a bit hard to suit, for oftentimes one man's choice of weather won't suit his neighbor, and fit weather in one country often interferes with the advantageous sale of another country's crops. For ever so long men have felt that they could bear a hand in the weather-making to good advantage, and they have tried and tried again to do it. We are told that in old times there would occasionally turn up a weather-breeder whose work in times of extreme need was really efficient, and many devout persons, and some men of science, have tried to plagiarize the exploits of such ancient worthies. But the result has been pitifully disproportionate to the effort. Preachers pray for weather, medicine men juggle for it, and scientists explode bombs. The kind of weather preferred eventually comes around, but whether human effort or human

desire had anything to do with bringing it always remains in doubt.



THESE trite reflections are due to the recent peculiarly exasperating distribution of weather in the United States. Here in the East, at this writing, we have had practically no rain for forty days. The woods are burning from Machias to Michigan, smoke fills the air, every day is a yellow day, pease are backward, nothing grows, and hay won't be half a crop. Simultaneously in the farther Middle West it has been raining as though the plug was out, flooding great cities, drowning honest people, destroying property, causing manifold distress and consternation. One can see that with so much water available for distribution and so large an area of country to spill it on, results more satisfactory to the customers might easily have been obtained, but evidently it has not been the weather-maker's purpose at this time that the customers should be humored. Rather it would seem to have been the design, by contrasting flood and drought, to emphasize both, and make each more instructive.



IF there are lessons for us in these remarkable dispositions, it could have been wished that more of us were at home to profit by them.

Mr. Morgan is still abroad.

The President has been running up and down in the land so actively that no particular weather-belt could get its lesson in on him.

Mr. Carnegie has taken refuge in God-fearing Scotland, and for the moment shirks responsibility for America.

Mr. Rockefeller—provident man, as usual—has hired cohorts of men to haul water for him, and hopes to save his garden, rain or shine.

Mr. Gates—where are you, Gates, and what have you been doing now? We believe Mr. Gates is abroad also. He should be sent for. If we are getting lessons Mr. Gates should be in his place in the class, and all the Pittsburg steel millionaires in their places,

and the cotton harpies in theirs, and the Chicago crowd where they belong, and Messrs. Gould and Cassatt should stop scrapping and gouging one another and pay attention. And perhaps it would be as well if Mr. Morgan came home. If any lessons are being conveyed to this country in meteorological terms, it is best that the attendance should be as full as possible.



IFE admits, however, that it is not a trustworthy authority on dispensations, and dar ot venture to interpret the designs of Providence. Maybe the weather just happens so. Maybe-probably-by the time these words reach the reader the forest fires will be out, the Missouri Valley will have replanted its fields, stocks will be stiffer in the knees, more strikers will have gone to work, and the general outlook will be cheerfuller. Weather may have privileges of free-will, and, under Providence, make itself; mismaking itself at times just as men do. But whenever anything that looks like a portent is hung out, whether it is bogus or genuine, it behooves us Americans to seize the occasion for selfexamination and due repentances. We have had a pretty lively five years of it, and have done a good many things and developed a good many tendencies that will bear thinking over. If we have to detach our attention a little from getting rich for a spell, and put our minds on trying to be good, it will probably be very much to our advantage. It isn't quite comfortable to have reached the top of a long up-grade of prosperity, but, after all, prosperity is something of a hog, and the habit of filling his own belly tends to dominate his better habits. We have hogged a good deal in our prosperity. If it kept on strong enough, and long enough, we might come to be the most acquisitive and selfish people on the earth. No grave adversity threatens us, but the flush times are passing, and we should not lament it, for we have had them long enough. We may better study for a while how to share the earth with our brethren than how ourselves to engross overmuch of its fulness.



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I remember still the look you
Gave me in that bower of bliss,
When within my arms I took you
For a first and sweetest kiss;
What a dream, and what a theme to
Make a song of! I recall
Now the fact, you didn't seem to
Mind at all.

When I think how very sweet it
Was to kiss you, Sweetheart, so,
How my heart longs to repeat it
While again the blossoms blow!
If your heart is also tortured
By the same dear longing,—then
Come with me and, in the orchard,
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"Good morning, General. How are you?"

"Oh, I'm feeling pretty fit, considering—"

"Considering your late trip to the Philippines."

"Yes, and a few other things, such

"Such as the raps you've been getting in the papers, and—"

"And being turned down by the powers that be, and—"

"And your propensity to talk."

"Exactly. I used to think, Life, that war was hell."

"Well, isn't it, General?"

"Sure! But peace is worse. You



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"Yes, I know, General. But many a good soldier has talked himself to death afterwards."

"Precisely. But say, Life. About that report."

"What report?"

"Why, that report of mine from the Philippines."

"Well, General, why should I know anything about that report? I'm not running the Government. I'm only one of the public."

"True. But I thought, on the q. t.—"

"Oh, I see. Wait a moment, General, until I close the doors. Now we are alone. No one can hear us. Out with it."

"And you will keep my secret?"

"Trust me. But why so careful? There was a time when you blurted out just what you thought."

"I know it. But you see there's a limit. Root's got it in for me. If I peached on the home rulers, I'd be 'pickled, primed and ossified.' But now—"

"Now you can relieve your mind. Let's see. You went out to the Philippines to examine into the condition of things and make a report."

"Right you are."

"And how did you find things? Rotten?"

"Sh! Not so loud. Yes. Beastly. Not only had the whole military management been guilty of culpable carelessness and neglect, but those poor devils had been oppressed and tortured in the most inhuman way."

"That report of yours must have read like a dime novel."

"Worse. I told the plain, unvarnished truth."

" And what happened?"

"Nothing. Nothing ever happens when you tell the plain, unvarnished truth about the colonies, when there's a campaign in prospect."

"But some of the report was published, wasn't it?"

"Yes. Just enough to satisfy the Knockers."

"But, my dear General, they wanted the whole truth. We're paying for it, aren't we?"

"Maybe you are. But you won't get it as long as Root is holding down his chair. It isn't business. Say, Life."

"Well, General Miles."

"What do you think I had better do—tell the whole thing? The people are paying for it."

"My dear General, they don't want to know. The American people are not so much interested in the Philippines as they were. The weather, the crops, the latest breakfast-food are far more to the purpose."

"But that doesn't make the Philippines any less important, does it?

Or——"

"Or bloodshed any less horrible—"
"Or mismanagement any less culpa-

"Or torture any less reprehensi-

"Or the Government any less responsible."

"Not at all. But—Sh! Here comes some one. We may be overheard. Good-by, General."

"G-good-by, LIFE."

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I declining to place any obstacle in the way of the employment of very little girls in factories, the Legislature of Pennsylvania stands up manfully for the fullest measure of industrial progress.

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Blood is thicker than water, but thicker than blood, even, is the dough.

TIME is called the Despoiler, but he often robs us more by what he gives than by what he takes away.

FLEVATOR.



Newcomer: it's not as hot as i thought it would be. why's that? "Ask morgan!"



RINKS: I hear Mrs. Jinks has given up the New Thought.

JINKS: Yes, it was impossible for her to go into the silence.

KNICKER: Do you ever give up your seat on the elevated?

BOCKER: I gave it up five years ago.



AMERICANIZED.

The Sea Serpent: pretty much of a come-down for a reigning sensation. But then a fellow must make a living.

Prosperity.

NEW YORK: Slandered Oil declared a dividend of 4334 to-day instead of the usual 44. The nine o'clock dividends of the United Skates Spiel Corporation were not paid until ten minutes past nine.

There is no disguising the feeling of unrest that prevails in Wall Street.

Washington: Treasury officials profess not to be disturbed by the news from New York. They point out that the gold reserve is now upwards of forty bil-

iions, and insist that the interruption of the national prosperity is only momentary.

His Choice.

A GENT: Yessir, I will guarantee that this is the most concentrated food you ever ate.

CONSUMER: But I don't want that kind—I want the kind that spreads all over my system.

Court Bulletin.

Special from London: The King was severely taxed to-day by the pressing persistence of governmental business. Beginning at ten in the morning, he attended the Lords' cricket matches, and was then seen shortly after at a luncheon given by his Bobs, the Duke of Winterview. Immediately after, the Queen's Garden Party claimed his attention, and was followed by a hurried inspection of the race-course. Later, his Majesty reviewed the corps of American Beauties—and then repaired to the tenth annual dinner of the Dubs of the Fast Order. We hardly need mention that the usual theatre duties of the evening were faithfully performed by our Sovereign, and the labors of the day culminated in the attendance upon a grand ball given by the Duchess of Brazenbox.

In view of the fact that these events necessitated eight distinct changes of apparel, we are to be congratulated on the possession of one who is thus able to discharge the state duties of our great nation in so worthy and faithful a manuer

 \mathbf{M}^{EN} were made before mirrors. Women are still made before mirrors,

Light.

OUNG Mr. Rockefeller testifying that he prays for light, and gets it, raises a question.

If he gets light by praying for it, should the rest of us be charged ten cents per gallon at retail?

Very likely the Bureau of Corporations will take this matter up, in due time.

Tainted.

"THE Salvation Army is made up of cranks."

"Yes. People with a hallelucination."

TIME, tide and automobiles wait for no man.

A Yachting Song.

THEN the paint is on the rigging, And the gaff is on the boom, And the wigwags are a-wigging, And the English are in bloom; When the sea is like a kitten, And the mainsail is in stops,

Then a certain thrifty Briton Will desert his thousand shops: He will bid us all defiance, Wherever we may be, And we'll get out our Reliance,

And help advertise his tea. Benj. Jefferson.

MEN often leave vengeance to Heaven because they are too busy themselves.



HOW ON EARTH COULD HE DO IT?

Sport.

A LTHOUGH but six persons were killed in the recent automobile races in France, the event was of the first importance in the sporting world.

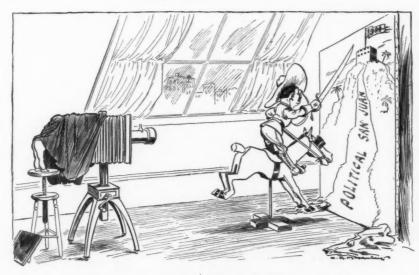
Six killed in France are equal to ten or a dozen killed here in this country.

For in France, despite their democratic pretensions, they still cling to the old monarchical notion of the great value of human

It is the universal testimony that a motorist need be more skillful in order to kill anybody in France, than he need be in America.

THEY say old Hedger married several times after he was seventy."

"Yes. He had a very precocious second childhood."



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Oh, that sad slip of hers, What a delay it brings! Think of the trouble and Eke the dismay it brings! But for the heedlessness And for the needlessness Of the child's fall The chauffeur perhaps had made Runs other chaps have made No good at all.

Why did her father. Or else her mother. Or her big sister Or her big brother, Not keep her out of sight, So that she never might Have caused all this bother?

. .

There! We're all set again; Now, then, come on! She'll never fret again-Three minutes gone! Never mind chickens now, Go like the dickens now. Just let her zip! Maybe we still may make Up down the hill we take On the home trip. -S. E. Kiser, in New York Herald.

POSTMASTER GENERAL PAYNE is demonstrating his ability to pursue investigations in his own department, but he is not above seeking advice outside on difficult questions. Lately the post-

office authorities found that a certain woman in Chicago was using the mails improperly, and after a report had been rendered the Postmaster General issued a fraud order, barring her letters from the mails. This stirred the subject of the order. She addressed a pathetic appeal to the Postmaster General, asking for a personal and private interview, at which she might present her side of the case. "I feel sure," the letter ran, "that if I could get a chance to look you straight in your beautiful brown eves you would hear my story."

Mr. Payne was much impressed. This sort of thing was rather an innovation. Then he solemnly indorsed the letter:

"Respectfully referred to the Secretary of War for advice."

Routine took it through the regular channels, and, after many days, it returned again with this indorsement:

"Risk one eye .- Elihu Root."-New York Tribune.

"Our host, one of the most genial of provincial Mayors, had, by signs, invited a jovial-looking ecclesiastic on his left to join him in a bumper of champagne. His reverence silently gave his head a mournful shake, and this is a verbatim report of what followed-eloquent but highly condensed:

Host (solicitously): Liver? GUEST (savagely): TOE!

"Whereupon his Worship had to fashion his hospitable features into an expression of sympathy, and finish the bottle himself, magnanimously taking all risks of gout and liver trouble."-Daily News.

"MANDY, I'm glad to see that your new hat hasn't any stuffed song-birds on it."

"Of course it hasn't, auntie. The dear, sweet little things are getting to be dreadfully out of style now."-Chicago Tribune.

A CERTAIN American woman, the wife of a former representative in Congress and minister abroad. who now aims at social leadership in the most exclusive and top-lofty circles of Washington, D. C ... is noted for her love of display and her penchant for wearing about all the jewels she can bear up

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"I am afraid the nobleman who is to become your son-in-law has not much talent for business. "I don't know," answered Mr. Cumrox. "If he

can manage to get as good prices for other merchandise as he does for a title, I'll trust him to take his chances in business."-The Wasp.

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Dovle's! -Arthur Layard, in The Author.

"REMEMBER, boys," said the teacher, "that in the bright lexicon of youth there's no such word as

After a few moments a boy raised his hand. "Well, what is it, Socrates?" asked the teacher.

"I was merely going to suggest," replied the youngster, "that if such is the case it would be advisable to write to the publishers of that lexicon and call their attention to the omission."-The

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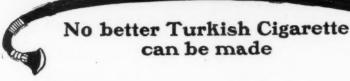
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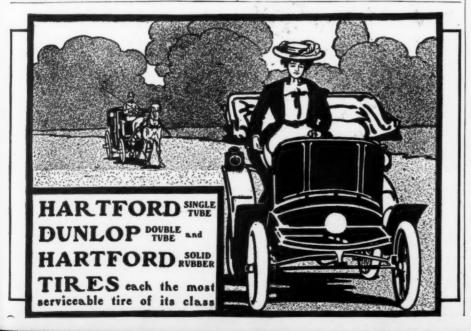
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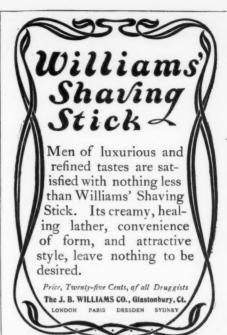
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